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SUBJ : HUMAN RIGHTS: 909 PRISONERS PARDONED, INCLUDING
91 "ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS

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1. FOLLOWING UPP MARCH 17 LOCAL RADIO REPORT (REFTEL) TEHRAN
NEWSPAPERS ON MARCH 19 CARRIED ARTICLES ON SHAH'S NEW YEAR'S
PARDON OF 653 PRISONERS TRIED BY MILITARY COURTS, INCLUDING
91 "ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS. (EARLIER RADIO REPORT REFERRING
TO 101 "ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS WAS APPARENTLY ERRONEOUS.)
IN ADDITION TO THESE PRISONERS TRIED IN MILITARY COURTS, 256
PRISONERS TRIED BY MINISTRY OF JUSTICE COURTS WERE PARDONED.
ACCORDING TO THE PRESS THIS LATEST PARDON DOES NOT INCLUDE
PRISONERS CONVICTED OF ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE, SMUGGLING AND
MANUFACTURE OF DRUGS, KIDNAPPING OR THOSE INVOLVED IN
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"IMPORTANT CASES". ALL THOSE PARDONED ARE SCHEDULED TO BE
RELEASED MARCH 20. THE RELEASED PRISONERS' TERMS RANGED
FROM TWO YEARS TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT. THE COMMUTATIONS RANGE
FROM TWO THIRDS TO ONE FIFTH OF A PRISONER'S PRISON TERM,
ACCORDING TO THE PRESS.

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2. THE 91 "ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS RELEASED BRINGS THE TOTAL OF SUCH PRISONERS FREED THIS YEAR TO 215. AMONG THOSE FREED, IN ADDITION TO NARMIN BARAHENI (SUBJECT SEPTTEL NOTAL), THE EMBASSY HAS BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- A. FARAMARZ SAREMI. IRANIAN CITIZEN, BORN 13 AUGUST 1935. 1962 - POSSIBLY DISSIDENT STUDENT WHILE STUDYING AT ERGANGEN, GERMANY.
- B. HASSAN MOHAMMADI. JANUARY 1962 - ONE OF THE STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE ORIGINAL DEFENDERS OF FUNDAMENTAL LAW. DECEMBER 1962 - FACULTY OF LAW, PASSED OUT ANTI-NATIONAL FRONT PAMPHLETS BEFORE THE DEMONSTRATION 6/12/62. WAS ASKED TO JOIN A GROUP OF STUDENTS THAT WOULD BE THE NUCLEUS OF A GROUP PLANNING TO FIGHT AGAINST THE NATIONAL FRONT.
- C. MUNUCHEHR NAHAVANDI - BORN 1934; DECEMBER 1971 ALLEGEDLY ARRESTED FOR PLOTTING TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT, COMMUNISM, AND ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING OF AMBASSADOR MACARTHUR.
- D. ESFANDIAR ANSARI - IRANIAN CITIZEN; WAS A MEMBER OF PHYSICS AND MECHANICS BRANCH, DEPARTMENT 5, OF THE IRANIAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.
- E. NAJII SAEDI - POSSIBLY IDENTICAL TO NADER SA'EDI, BORN 1934; STUDENT AND TUDEH PARTY MEMBER, ARRESTED IN IRAN BY SAVAK IN 1953.
- F. NASROLLAH MOGHER ALI ABADI - POSSIBLY IDENTICAL TO ALI ABADI, IRANIAN SOVIET SYMPATHIZER, WHO WENT TO THE USSR FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS (DOI 1948), BUT NOT KNOWN TO HAVE RETURNED TO IRAN.

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3. NAMES OF THE FOLLOWING 91 "ANTI-SECURITY" PRISONERS APPEARED TEHRAN PRESS MARCH 19: NARMIN BARAHANI, AZIZ YUSEFI, MANUCHEHR NAHAVANDI, AKBAR IZADPANAH, AHMAD GIFANI, MARYAM BEHZADI, MAJID VALADAN, ABBAS GOLCHIAN, ALI HEYDARI, MOSTAFA RANJIBAR KHAN-HOSSEINI, ARJANG ARASI, SEYFOLLAH BABAYARI, EBADOLLAH AHMADZADEH, MOHSEN ETEMADI, IRAJ EBADI, KAZEM SHADVAR, MOHAMMAD RAHIM KAVIAR, SYED OMAR ENAYATI, ALI DARZI FIRUZKUHI, ALI-ASGHAR FARAJNEJAD QADERI, JAAFAR QORBANZADEH ESHKELAK, ABDOLLAH MOSHFEQ, FARAMARZ SAREMI, HAMID REZA HAJIBEIGLU, YADOLLAH KHOSROWSHAHI, ALI RAZANI, MOHAMMAD REZA TIZUR, AHMAD DANESHVARNIA, MEHRDAD MOSLEMI, KARIM TASLIMI, MOHAMMAD KAZEM SADEQOLVAD, AHMAD ISMAILZADEH-JAHROMI, ABBAS MOADDAD, AHMAD LAHOONI, MOHAMMAD HASHEMIZADEH, MOLLA QADER RASOULPOUR, RAHIM SANJI GHABSHAVI, ABDOL HOSSEIN HAYAVI, ABDOL REZA HAYAVI, YAQOUB HAYAVI, HADI SAVAEDI, SEYED HAMID SAWAEDI, OUDI ABIDAVI, ABDOL HOSSEIN SAVAEDI, GHOLAM ALI ABIDAVI, YAQOUB SAEDI, OSMAN SHAIKHZADEH, MEHDI PAZOUKI, SEYED HMADOLLAH

TAQAVIAN, ABDOL RASOUL ANSARI, ESFANDIAR ANSARI, SEYED
HABIBOLLAH SADAT, SEYED ABDOL HOSSEIN SAJJADIAN, MATA'I YUSEFI,
SEYED MOHAMMAD EBRAHIMI, YAQOUT SALEHI, NAHANALI ROSTAMI,
DAD MOHAMMAD AMINI, HASSAN MOHAMMADI, HASSAN SAVAEDI, ABDOL
HOSSEIN SAVAIDI, YUSSEF BAPIRI, MUSSA FADA'I, ASGHAR SOLOKIAN,
HOSSEIN AQA BEIGI, MOHAMMAD ESFANDIARI, MAKHODOUMQOLI JAHANI,
MOSRATOLLAH MOVEQAR ALILABADI, SYED MOSLEM SHARIFI MOSSAVI,
MALEK SHALASHZADEH FARHANI, SEYED HASSAM REZA'I, MESSAMEDDIN
HOSSEINI, NASROLLAH HADAVAND, ALI ASGHAR MOHAMMADI MIYAN-
RUDI, AMIR (SHAMUL) TARAFI, AHMAD BAQAI, FIRUZ NOWBAHAAR, NADER
PURSADDAMI, MOHAMMAD REZA ASGARI, JALAL KHALEDI, KHORSROW
HASHEM, ABDOL HOSSEIN KHAYYAMI, NAJI SAEDI, SALEH NISSI, HASSAN
SAVAEDI, NAJIM ASABANIAN, MASOUD MASOUDI, OUDI SAVARI
SEYED BENYAN MUSAVI, JAVAD HAYAVI AND ABDOL AZIZ HAYAVI.
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